reservoir 7 and spigot 11. Applicant hereby enclosed an amended Fig. 1, which has added cross hatching (circled in red) to the structure. Applicant notes that the cross hatching serves to highlight the fact that the one side of the spigot is open to the reservoir 7 as set forth in the specification on Page 7, Line 27. The upper end of the spigot is formed into a barb which pierces a frangible membrane to gain access to the reservoir 7.

The typographical errors noted by the Examiner in the specification in claim 13 have been corrected by the above amendments.

Claim 11 has been amended to show that the peripheral wall is cylindrical, and not its cross-section as noted by the Examiner.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-2 and 4-20 as being anticipated by the European patent to Lampe. Applicant has amended claim 1 resubmitting it as new claim 21 to more definitely claim the fact that the flow restrictor restrains the active substance from flowing under gravity from the reservoir by the mechanism of surface tension. New claim 21 now recites that the flow restrictor is in direct communication with the flush path through the device. The European patent to Lampe does not teach or suggest the structure as it states that "the porous liquid absorbing mass 6 always communicates with liquid F contained in the liquid reservoir 4, thus the liquid absorbing mass which may be a sponge or other porous material is always between the reservoir and thus restricts the flow path from the reservoir.

Claim 3 has been rejected as being anticipated by the patent to Kerverdo. In so far as claim 3 is dependant upon claim 21, claim 21 being considered allowable claim, 3 should also be allowable.

As set forth in new claim 21, the path of the stream of water is in direct communication with the outlet site. In Kervedo the path is serpentine and not direct.

Reconsideration and reexamination of the subject application is respectfully requested.

With the above amendments and remarks, this application is considered ready for allowance and Applicant earnestly solicits an early notice of same. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

2) (Once Amended) A dispenser as claimed in claim [1]21 wherein said pumping

action comprises a pressure differential within said dispenser to drive said active

substance through said flow restrictor.

3) (Twice Amended) A dispenser as claimed in claim [1]21 wherein said pumping

action operates to displace a volume of air through said flow restrictor from the outlet

side thereof, which volume of air. in turn, displaces said at least dose of active substance

through said flow restrictor from the inlet side thereof.

4) (Twice Amended) A dispenser as claimed in claim [1]21 wherein said pumping

action operates to reduce the surface tension of said active substance, in the region of said

flow restrictor, for a time sufficient to allow [said]a discrete dose thereof to be released

through said flow restrictor.

6) (Twice Amended) A dispenser as claimed in claim [1]21 further including at least

one fluid dispensing surface spaced from the outlet side of said flow restrictor from which

components of said active substance can emanate.

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- 11) (Twice Amended) A dispenser as claimed in claim 10 wherein said peripheral wall is cylindrical [in cross-section].
- 12) (Twice Amended) A dispenser as claimed in claim [1]21 wherein said chamber is defined by a non-porous peripheral wall section in combination with a porous bottom surface.
- 13) (Twice Amended) A dispenser as claimed in claim [1]21 further including venting means operable to maintain [avoid] a void on the outlet side of said flow restrictor between flushes.